



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION III  
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The Honorable Bill Shuster  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

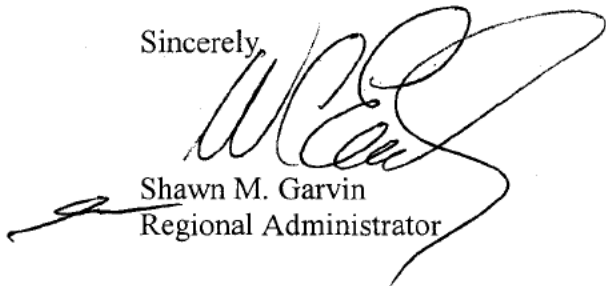
Dear Representative Shuster:

Thank you for your letter of January 31, 2012 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on behalf of your constituent, (b) (6)(b) (6)(b) (6) (b) (6)(b) (6) is concerned about a request by the Pennsylvania Electric Company (Penelec) to conduct tree and other vegetation clearing on (b) (6)(b) (6) s property near the right of way for the proposed Bedford-Osterburg electric transmission line in Bedford County, Pennsylvania

This action does not appear to entail any federal permit requirements, nor does it appear to invoke any regulatory requirements for which EPA is responsible. The transmission line does not appear to have been the subject of any required analyses under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for which EPA may have jurisdiction.

I hope the above response is helpful to your constituent. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or have your staff contact Dr. Jennie Saxe, EPA's Pennsylvania Liaison, at 215-814-5806.

Sincerely,

  
Shawn M. Garvin  
Regional Administrator

